STRANGE MAGNETIC CURRENT DIS-COVERED AT THE WELL

By Some Mysterious Play of Natural Forces the Drill and Tubing at the Gas Well are Constituted an Immense Magnet-Nails, Buttons and Other Metallic Articles Cleave to the Charged Tubing-Dog Wearing a Steel Collar is Grabbed, seared and Being Fully Charged, He Departs Immediately for the North Pole,

Up to 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon work was progressing nicely at the prospect well, and the drill had reached a depth of 1.185 feet when a strange ac-

The great drill had just been hoisted when City Engineer Jackson entered the dral house closely followed by a as a silver dollar. Of course the dog overs on the route. had to follow the kind hearted city boss, but it was a sad follow for the purp.

Some unseen power grabbed the dog

Prominent Citizen and Honorable Man

to the animal's rescue but he found that when he had placed his shoes on the was always one of its most highly res-

plaster," the more he tried to pull off, the more he stuck the faster." The bors. When a middle aged man he ennalls in his boots held him fast while listed in the service of his country and the councilmen seemed to

of the concilman of the Sixth ward, when they found that their watch and joined the dog on the drill.

About this time the city engineer ad-

vanced towards Councilman Maxwell,

and pointing his finger at him told him to stand still for a little and he would see what was the matter with him.
"Thunder and lightning," roared the electrified councilman, while electric balls of fire shot from his face and

What had caused all this display of electricity was the question on everybody's mind. It was there and there could be no question of that fact A red on a man. He does not know what fear the following judges and clerks were headed man, or even a red whiskered one, felt a drawing attachment in the direction of the hole the moment he came | Dick's long suit is the manly art. A | proposed and confirmed to act as such at the next city election:

| Pirkst Ward. | Pirkst rection of the hole the moment he came in contact with the powerfull charged twenty-four foot ring is the world to steel. Nails lying loose in the drill-house were forced to leave the boxes and stood out like quills upon a porcu-

Had the drill united some powerful hidden electric current with the outside a ten rail fence is a greater hero than world? Could this great power be util-ized by means of wires? Was there not poems. He would not trade off one John enough power here to run themachinery of the earth? Had not Ben Franklin made a mistake when he sought the Fitzsimmons fight at Lantry and he heavens for electricity instead of com-ing to the junction of the two Arkansas the fight than any man who was there. rivers, were questions that passed through the mind of the city engineer as he beheld the strange performances simmons in two rounds if he ever meets

the hole was started that electricity and was in a position to know his condi-would be found, and in fact both tion. He said that his sight was in a Messra Jackson and Jackman doubted terrible fix on account of the alkali at if such a thing was possible, but that Las Cruces. He tells exactly where from some cause every thing about the Fizzimmons struck him the knockout

to the stomach of an urchin who had scientific merits of the two eaten his first mess of green apples in men. He heard Pitzsimmons acknowle the spring. It would neither go up or edge afterwards that Maher is the be

They soon arrived. The magnets were is in great trot applied, and like the phenomenal mad shall give it to. and the drill. It's electricity sure, they all decided, but where the strange power had come from they were unable to determine immediately.

one of these had became charged with positive electricity while the other was equally loaded with negative and of ourse a perfect circuit was thus form-

in alittle time the current let loose of ward and with a thud they fell to the ground where they were picked up un-injured. It was then decided that the mother's knee. There is not enough

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PULLS OUT TACKS friction of the moving drill had formed a current of electricity and that when the drill was stopped for a short time that the current gradually went away and when the sand bucket was tried again it descended without trouble. It was then decided that when the drill was not in motion, creating as it were a new volume of electric fluid, that the nuseen power was lost at the great cavity before described and into which the three empty bottles were turned loose last week and had doubtless gone off after the bottles.

The drill was lowered again and work was resumed and everything seemed to nove off serenely for a time when again he tubing became charged as before. and the sand bucket refused to go

This will probably account for the rumor on the streets yesterday that lodestone had been discovered, but aside from this little mishap everyhting moved off nicely and the city en-gineer is growing in hopes that by the work to believe for a few minutes that both the well was possessed wid de close of another week he will have reached the interesting point in his prilgimage in the bowels of mother earth—known by geologists as the level of the sea, where he expects not only to find coal but gas in sufficient quantities

DEATH OF MR. PITTINGER

day night after a long illness from The yelling dog brought Dr. Maxwell | Bright's disease. For eighteen years he nails in his boots held him fast while he declared that a sensation somewhat like bird shot falling over the string of courage and patriotism that a genmemory who were not any more entitled to them than Mr. Pittinger. He was the ordinance chains stood out straight in the air and upon advancing nearer that their time pieces immediately left their pockets and joined the dog on the drill.

The was always a very consistent member of the Grand Army of the Republic and of Odd Fellowship. Last fall he was nominated by the Republicans of his district for ounty commissioner and while he did not get elected he ran ahead of every other man with him in the territory embraced in his district. If there is any reward for leading a good, pure, manly, upright and honorable life Mr. Pittinger is in the full enjoyment of it now.

the drill and the tubing.

The steel dutions water more than and a dozen state. For possing a fine steel without the authority the drill and the tubing.

human race depends on their physical culture. To him the man who can jump of the unseen power.

It had not been expected that when ling touches on Maher before the fight well had become charged.

The eighteen-foot sand bucket was brought out and attempted to be lowered into the mysterious hole, but it clung to the iron casing like a cramp to the stomach of an urchin who had

lown.

Something must be done and FitzpatThe governor of Jaruez, where Dick visrick was told to call into council all the slectricians of the city, and to tell them to bring magnets with them.

They soon arrived. The magnets were is in great trouble as to which one he is in great trouble as to which one he

good will. He thinks the people of E An examination was made of the hole and it was found that the well contained two complete sets of tubing and that one of these had became charged with would like to live there but he has an ambition to pull off the greatest"set to" in history in Oklahoma. He says he

will accomplish it some day.

Notwithstanding his love for pugilish ots of the councilman of the Sixth and the fact that he has lived for years money on earth to pursuade him to do a thing he believes to be wrong and an cath or profane word of any kind has never passed his lips. He would engage to swim across the Atlantic to serve a friend and this is why all the people like him.

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add.
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18, cons blk 7, town of Malze..
James D. Carbish, deed 14 int lots 73 to 95 Coolidge ave Riverside add THEY HAVE AGREED tan, S. P. McCarthy, judges; R. H. FOURTH WARD.

CITY AND TELPHONE COMPANY ARE AT PEACE AGAIN.

Ordinance Passed Dismissing All Suits and Giving the Hello Company & Franchise for Five Years-In Return the Company has Made a Substantial Reduction of Rates to Their Patrons-All Voted for the Proposition But Councilman Burton of the Sixth Ward-Ordinance to Take Effect When Mayor Cox Signs It.

The telephone agitation has followed the prohibition war, the trubadour, the crusader and the mound builder, off the stage of action.

Everybody seemed to have been tired of it in the council but Jim Burton, and the indications were that he wanted it

kept up for a little while longer. Some time ago a war was inaugurated for lower rates and the company not to lighten every man, woman and child's burden in life by giving them an excellent flow of natural gas.

making a satisfactory compliance to the request of the council a license tax was placed on each instrument. long, lank dog wearing a huge steel

The iron in the blood of the dog, it is believed, was sufficiently charged with the magnetic current to carry the ratios requested. After that the mannet amining the drill which was as bright covers on the route. cense tax and what seemed to be end- as the less litigation comenced. All this was worth three times the price of admitsquared up last night by a proposition Some unseen power grabbed the dog off his feet and suspended him in the air, while immediately the drill house was filled with the odor of burned hair. The dog's steel collar adhered to that drill with the same tenacity as would an old maid to her last chance in the matrimonial market.

Prominent Citizen and Henorable Man Gone to His Reward.

Yesterday all that remained of W. J. Three kins of music have been procured, orchestra, mandolin club and to the company offering a reduction of rates for a new franchise to extend for five years. An ordinance covering the the grave there to find reposeafter along life of usefulness to his country and fellow men. Mr. Pittinger died Saturmonial market.

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Some unseen power grabbed the dog of the first company offering a reduction of rates for a new franchise to extend for five years. An ordinance covering the the grave there to find reposeafter along life of usefulness to his country and passed all voting in the affirmative but Burton the Democratic member from day light after a long illness from the Sixth ward. submitted by Superintendent McDaniel of the company offering a reduction of the Sixth ward.

The ordinance, in substance, gives the company a five years' franchise and the company, in consideration thereof, rewas always one of the most many to the post the tubing to enable him to reach the suspended purp, it was impossible for him to move another peg.

Some unseen power held him fast to the tubing and "like Aunt Jemima's the tubing and "like Aunt Jemima's was universally liked by his fellow cit
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aviolin played around the gastrochemof the councilman of the Sixth ward,
Austin and Madison ran to the rescue council to end the trouble and adopt of the O. M. B., resubmiss the ordinance.

All that is to be done now is to provide for a contract including a schedule of prices and the affixing of the mayor's signature both to the contract and the ordinance. There seemed to be no doubt but what the mayor favored the ordinance and, of course, he will sign it.
All the councilmen were present but Judge Tucker as police judge reported

FIRST WARD.

First precint—C. H. Beckwith, A. C.

Young, J. T. McMillen, Judges; Roy
Sohn, J. A. Arbogast, Clerks.

Second precinct—C. E. Jones, H. Owens and Joe Christman, judges; Paul

Brown, George Parham, cierks.
Third precinct—G. W. Crawford, D.
W. Skinner and Bruce Griffith, Judges; H. Hamilton, H. T. Andrews, clerks. SECOND WARD. First precinct-G. E. Harris, J. H. Bruce, Peter Getto, judges; C. L. Adams, Geo. B. Kessler, clerks. Second precinct—J. T. Hooker, J. C. Shoots, M. McAvoy, judges; M. S. Jones

Monte Jacks, clerks, Third precinct—H. T. Camien, Edwin Beach, Joseph Elliott judges; R. C. Jackman, J. K. Alberts, cierk.

Burgette, J. D. Dorsey, clerks. Third precinct—E. T. Allen, J. C. Ru-

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DeRoss, W. H. Culp, judges; H. W.
James, O. Mulvey, cierks.
Second precinct—A. C. Dickson, Joe
McCullough, J. R. Miller, judges; J. R.
Dutton, R. H. Roys, cierks.
Third precinct—R. B. Hutchinson,
Henry Schad, Geo, Palmer, judges; P.
S. Mellimer, W. H. Oliphant, clerks.

First precinct—H. D. Killion, J. D. Cottman, N. Armstrong, Judges; John Davis, G. C. Hatfield, clerks.

Second precinct—E. W. Wilhite, A. Grubb, J. T. Black, Judges; F. E. Brook and W. P. Stanton clerks. and W. P. Stanton, els

SINTH WARD.

First precinct—L. Keck, Ben Wilson,
C. H. Hunter, judges; M. Deffenbaugh,
J. D. Caldwell, clerks. Second precinct—J. M. Martin, Geo. E. Atchison, W. A. Merrill, juiges; W. P. Cleveland, W. N. Parkinson, clerks.

CYCLISTS PARADE LAST NIGHT It Will be Repeated This Evening and the

Show Formally Opened.

The parade of the Wichita Wheelmen last night was quite a unique af-fair and will be repeated tonight only on a much larger scale.

The cycle show already promises to

program each evening will be tance.
Three kins of music have been pr

The admission is 10c; ladies free, All whellmen in the city are invited

The show opens at 2 p. m., and lasts

The Owl and Crescent club will have another one of their delightful hope Wednesday evening.

Peerless Lodge No. 68, D. of H., will have a call meeting this evening. members are urged to be present. Nora

There will be an important meeting Col. Ellsworth will speak. Come out.

Every one ought to hear the very in teresting lecture to be given this even ing, the 24th, by Rev. C. S. Nusbaum of Kingman in the German Methodis church, corner of First and Emporia streets. Admission free, but a free will offering will be received.

Scottosh Rite: There will be a spec the collection of fines amounting to \$93 ial meeting of Elmo Lodge of Perfection the month of March up to the 14th when he went out of office.

balls of fire shot from his face and cheek, and his hair stood on end similar to that of a portupine. "Ain't I standing still, I can't move unless I standing still, I can't move unless I standing still, I can't move unless I can get these boots off. I believe the dad-burned drill has got into the power house of the devil's work-shop, and the tubing and everything has got charged. For odd's sake, unloose that dog's collar and let the purp down before he roasts to dearth. He smells worse than a limberger cheese factory."

The collar was loosened, and the dog shot out of that drill-house at though be he had been pursued by a thousand bottlacks. As soon as the dog had shot out of that drill-house at though better the club flat unless that dog randout of the day. Whell the colonel was leosen as Dr. Nansen. Of course, the city will loose the tax on that dog. When the dog was on as Dr. Nansen. Of course, the city will loose the tax on that dog. When the dog was out of the way the councilman from the Sixth ward wigs gield out of his boots and was prancing around in stocking feet. Of course the dog's collar, the steel buttons, walch chairs and other articles still clung to the drill, and the tabbing.

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ing a few days in the city, the guest o his old friend, Mr. Vandine of the Man-hattan. Mr. Marshall had not been in the city since 1886, and, of course, h was astonished at the change made t Wichita since. He is spending his visit very pleasantly meeting some old friends and adding several new ones.

Married at the residence of the ride's father near Baynesville, Sedg wick, county, Kansas, on the evening of March 22, 1896, Mr. J. M. Wright and Miss Maggie Parker, both of Baynes-ville, Elder M. L. Munn of this city officiating the ceremony in the presence of a company of the near rela-tives of the happy pair.

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First of the Season

THIRD WARD.

First precinct—W. T. Burgess, J. T.
Bailey, W. F. Lee, judges; J. S. Aikman, Ray Taylor, clerks.

Second precinct—H. T. Dedrick, A. H.
McKee, Geo. E. Campbell, judges; J. B.
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Brasatta, J. D. Dorsey, clerks.

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